

Madison City Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 6, 2020 @ 5:30 pm
Agenda

- A. Lord's Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Calling of Roll and notice of absentees
- C. Reading, approving, correcting or disposing of minutes from prior meeting
- D. Presentation of petitions, memorials, remonstrance's, introduction of motions and guests
- E. Resolutions or bills
 - Resolution ____-2020: Creating Sub Funds within Non Reverting Operating Fund for Parks (sponsored by K. Rampy)
- F. Reports, recommendations and other business from standing/select committees of the city council
- G. Reports of City Officials
 - Community Relations: Hannah Fagen
 - Madison Municipal Airport: Brent Spry
 - Parks: Matt Woolard
- H. Bills on third reading
 - Ordinance 2020-18: Amending the Meter Deposit Ordinance (Thevenow)
- I. Bills on second reading
- J. Miscellaneous
 - Board Appointments
- K. Public Comments

L. Mayor's Comments

M. Next Council Meeting Tuesday, October 20, 2020 @ 5:30 pm.

N. Motion to Adjourn

Title VI Voluntary Public Involvement Survey

The City of Madison is conducting a voluntary survey to gather information about the populations affected by proposed projects. The survey is on our website: Madison-in.gov: Title VI Compliance Survey. If you choose to participate, simply complete the survey online.

As per Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, anyone requiring an auxiliary aid or service for affective communication, should contact the city at 812-265-8300 as soon as possible, but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled meeting.

**COMMON COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 22, 2020**

The Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana, met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. at City Hall, 101 W. Main Street.

Mayor Courtney opened the meeting with the Lord's Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: Thevenow, Creech, L. Dattilo, Rampy, Bartlett, Chatham, and D. Dattilo (7-0).

MINUTES:

D. Dattilo made a motion to approve the September 8, 2020 minutes, seconded by L. Dattilo. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

MEMORIALS:

Citizen Frank Hayes read a memorial dedication to Mayor Damon Welch and for all of his service to the Community, his family and church. September 25th will mark the one year anniversary of Welch's death.

RESOLUTIONS OR BILLS:

**RESOLUTION NO. 50-2020
A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA
ESTABLISHING "COTTAGE LANE"**

Thevenow made a motion to approve Resolution No. 50-2020, seconded by Bartlett. Roll call vote: D. Dattilo – Y, Rampy – Y, Creech – Y, Chatham – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Bartlett – Y, Thevenow – Y. Resolution No. 50-2020 is passed (7-0).

**RESOLUTION NO. 54-2020
A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA
APPROVING APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING**

This is a grant being applied for from the Indiana Dept. of Natural Resources not to exceed \$35,000.00 with a city match not to exceed \$23,000.00. These funds are for design guideline updates for the Madison Historic District Residential and Commercial Guidelines. Rampy made a motion to approve Resolution No. 54-2020, seconded by D. Dattilo. Roll call vote: Creech – Y, Chatham – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, D. Dattilo – Y, Bartlett – Y, Thevenow – Y, Rampy – Y. Resolution No. 54-2020 is passed (7-0).

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS:

Chief of Staff McGee reported that she is working on infrastructure projects. The city parking lot is being finished up with added trash cans and landscaping. The city paving project has begun. Much of the concrete work has been completed and milling on the hilltop is underway. All Star paving has been granted an extension for completion until October 30th from the original deadline of the end of September. The city is reapplying for Federal Highway Grants to maintain Main Street to the top of Hanover Hill. The curbs and sidewalks at Riverside Tower Lofts are complete. Sedam Construction has begun construction along St. Michaels and Vaughn Drive with the Cotton Mill project. A capital improvement plan is being developed. The surplus auction went very well and netted the city approximately \$50,000.00-\$60,000.00.

Tony Sorrells reported that he had left a list of the street pavings in the council packets. Leaf pickup season is coming up soon. There will not be DOC girls working this year so Sorrells asks the public to be patient. Sorrells asked the public to put leaves in compost bags when possible. The flag pole was installed at Bicentennial Park and grass mowing is slowing down with the cooler weather.

Nicole Schell reported that the Historic Board of Review had 6 applications of which two were denied and the other four were approved. The HDBR staff approved eleven applications for various home improvements. The HDBR staff is working on a grant through the Indiana Department of National Resources Division of Historic Preservation and Archeology to complete the process to update the Madison Historic District Guidelines. At the September 15 meeting the PACE committee approved seven applications. There is one round left of applications being accepted for 2020 and the deadline for submission is October 12. Sedam has completed the off-site improvements at the Tower Tack Factory. Plans are to have residents begin moving in on October 1st. The rest of the project should be done by the end of the year. The Crystal Beach and Clifty Drive Stellar projects are continuing to be worked on. The architectural plans for the Friends of the Ohio Theatre project are completed. Work is being done through the RFP to select a contractor and formalize the costs. The Redevelopment Commission has been approached to pay for the costs.

Brian Jackson reported that upgrades on the sewer lines along the alley between West and Mulberry, South of Main, is underway. Pittsburgh Tank and Tower has completed the study of the city's water storage tanks. The report will come out in about a week. Whatever repairs are needed will be included in the rate study. There were 84 disconnect notices downtown of which only 7 had to be followed through on. There were 104 on the hilltop of which 11 were followed through on.

BILLS ON THIRD READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-12 (RAMPY)

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATION AND TAX RATES

Roll call vote: D. Dattilo – Y, Bartlett – Y, Chatham – Y, Rampy – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Creech – Y, Thevenow – Y. Ordinance No. 2020-12 is passed (7-0).

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-13 (RAMPY)
AN ORDINANCE FIXING SALARIES OF APPOINTED OFFICERS
AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA FOR THE YEAR 2021

Roll call vote: Chatham – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Bartlett – Y, D. Dattilo – Y, Rampy – Y, Creech – Y, Thevenow – Y. Ordinance No. 2020-13 is passed (7-0).

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-14 (RAMPY)
AN ORDINANCE FIXING COMPENSATION OF ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE
CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA FOR THE YEAR 2021

Roll call vote: Rampy – Y, Bartlett – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Chatham – Y, Creech – Y, D. Dattilo – Y, Thevenow – N. Ordinance No. 2020-14 is passed (6-1).

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-16 (CHATHAM)
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF MADISON, INDIANA AMENDING CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE CITY
OF MADISON TRAFFIC ORDINANCE AS FOUND IN CHAPTER 70 OF THE
CITY OF MADISON MUNICIPAL CODE

Roll call vote: Thevenow – Y, Creech – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Rampy – Y, Chatham – Y, Bartlett – Y, D. Dattilo – Y. Ordinance No. 2020-16 is passes (7-0).

BILLS ON SECOND READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-17 (RAMPY)
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA
REPEALING THE MICRO-LOAN PROGRAM OF THE CITY OF MADISON AND
TRANSFERRING THE BALANCE OF THE REMAINING FUNDS TO THE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Matt Wirth came before the council and explained that this ordinance would streamline the process and was something the Economic Development Loan Board had been wanting for some time. Bartlett made a motion to suspend the rules and move to the third reading, seconded by Rampy. Roll call vote to suspend: L. Dattilo – Y, Rampy – Y, Bartlett – Y, D. Dattilo – Y, Creech – Y, Thevenow – Y, Chatham – Y. Ordinance No. 2020-17 moves to third reading.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Roll call vote: Thevenow – Y, D. Dattilo – Y, Creech – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Chatham – Y, Bartlett – Y, Rampy – Y. Ordinance No. 2020-17 is passed (7-0).

BILLS ON SECOND READING:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-18 (THEVENOW)
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA
AMENDING THE METER DEPOSIT ORDINANCE**

Thevenow explained that he hoped the ordinance would provide some clarity as to how delinquent bills would be paid out of the meter deposit funds. He explained that under the present policy the property owner or landlord bears all the risk with none on the renter. The proposal changes the order of collection to pay delinquencies to 1. Wastewater/sewage, 2. Water, and 3. Sanitation from the current 1. Water, 2. Sanitation, 3. Wastewater/sewage. Brian Jackson had provided a written response in opposition to the ordinance by basically saying that if the city cannot apply the deposits initially to the water bills it could affect the rates all citizens have to pay while shielding the landlords. Several years ago the meter deposit was raised from \$50.00 to \$150.00. This increase helped not only the billing office but the landlords as well. Jackson noted that landlords already have methods of protecting themselves outside of city policy. Jackson also noted that as of January 1, 2019 the delinquent shut off period was changed from 60 days to 30 days which he felt was a benefit to all who stay current. Discussion ensued with some in the public in support of the new ordinance and some against. Ordinance 2020-18 will move to the third reading at the next council meeting.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

Rampy made a motion to approve Todd Boone as a council appointee to the Board of Tourism, seconded by Chatham. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Matt Wirth came forward to announce that October 2nd is National Manufacturing Day. Wirth noted that there are 61 manufacturers in the county that employ over 3000 people. Mayor Courtney noted that unemployment in the county and city continues to drop rapidly.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Courtney welcomed the \$2.5 million dollar investment from a new outside distributor that will be located in the industrial zone. The wages for employees will be above average. Courtney also thanked the organizers for the 5 to the 5 event. It was well attended. The Airshow at the Madison Municipal Airport is this coming weekend. Much planning for 2021 is already taking place. This Friday, September 25, is the inaugural Damon Welch 5K Run. The money raised for this event benefits a scholarship in Mayor Welch's name. Halloween is on in the city for October 31, from 6:00-8:00 PM. The city is planning on applying for a second round of Community Crossing money. We are still under stage 4.5 of the Governor's reopening plan. This is in effect until September 25. The new plan by Holcomb will be outlined tomorrow. Jefferson County continues to be one of the lowest affected counties in the state with Covid.

The free Covid testing has been extended by the city to October 30. 1700+ have been tested at that facility so far. Kings Daughters Hospital has opened a free testing center as well.

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D. Dattilo made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Thevenow. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Meeting adjourned at 6:58 P.M.

APPROVED:

President Pro Tempore,

Rick Berry, Clerk-Treasurer

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADISON,
INDIANA, CREATING SUB FUNDS WITHIN ORDINANCE 35.18, NONREVERTING
OPERATING FUND FOR PARK PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the City of Madison has established a nonreverting operating fund for Park purposes in order to receive revenues from Parks Department programs and services, and;

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Madison to create four sub-funds within the existing Parks nonreverting fund to better account for revenue and expenses related to the four following entities within the fund:

- Sunrise Golf Course
- Crystal Beach Pool
- Rucker Sports Complex
- City of Madison Campground, and;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana, as follows:

1. The Common Council hereby approves the resolution to the Nonreverting Operating Fund for Park Purposes creating four sub-funds within the current NRO Fund.
2. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council and approval by the Mayor as required by law.

DULY PASSED on this 6th day of October, 2020, by the Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana.

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Rick Berry, Clerk-Treasurer

This resolution presented by me, the Clerk-Treasurer of the City of Madison, Indiana, to the Mayor for his approval this 6th day of October, 2020.

Rick Berry, Clerk-Treasurer

This resolution signed and approved by me, the Mayor of the City of Madison, Indiana, this 6th day of October, 2020.

Bob G. Courtney, Mayor

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA AMENDING THE METER DEPOSIT ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana has authorized the utility billing office to collect a deposit from each new customer who is a tenant of the premises to which utility service is to be provided; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council finds that the existing ordinance does not provide clarity on how meter deposit funds are to be allocated against delinquent bills; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana finds that without the clarification of this issue some utility customers may abuse the billing system and open accounts at new billing addresses while not being held responsible for previous bills; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Madison, Indiana and its citizens that the allocation of meter deposit funds against delinquent bills be clarified;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA**, that Chapter 52.23 METER DEPOSIT be amended to include the following language:

Funds received as a meter deposit shall be fully allocated against delinquent charges in the following order:

- 1) Wastewater
- 2) Water
- 3) Sanitation
- 4) Other fees or charges.

This Ordinance shall become immediately effective upon its adoption by the Common Council, signature of the Mayor, enrollment in the book of Ordinances, and publication of notice as required by law.

Any Ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance is hereby repealed.

The foregoing Ordinance was passed and adopted by the Common Council, City of Madison, Indiana at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2020.

PRESENTED BY:

Councilman

Bob G. Courtney, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Rick Berry, Clerk-Treasurer